

## ATLANTIC LEAGUE.

THE BLUEBIRDS TAKE THE GAME FROM NORFOLK.

## PURELY A PITCHERS' BATTLE.

Opening of the Championship Season at Lancaster—An Exciting Contest—The Athletics Defeated in Philadelphia—Scores of the Games.

Richmond, 8; Norfolk, 3.  
Paterson, 9; Lancaster, 8.  
Reading, 6; Hartford, 4.  
Newark, 5; Philadelphia, 1.

## THE LAYOUT FOR TO-DAY.

Norfolk at Richmond.  
Philadelphia at Reading.  
Paterson at Newark.  
Hartford at Lancaster.

## CLUBS.

Club	W	L	T	P	Per Cent.
Richmond	1	1	0	0	50.0
Norfolk	1	1	0	0	50.0
Lancaster	1	1	0	0	50.0
Reading	1	1	0	0	50.0
Philadelphia	1	1	0	0	50.0
Paterson	1	1	0	0	50.0
Hartford	1	1	0	0	50.0
Games lost	1	1	0	0	50.0

## NORFOLK, VA., May 5.—(Special.)

Schmidt and Scherist, two gentlemen from across the Rhine, were the officiating headmen in to-day's catastrophe. Schmidt's axe was keener than his competitor's, and more heads consequently fell into his basket. The Browns made an auspicious beginning, and Scherist held the Birds to the block cleverly for seven innings, and their heads fell sharply and quickly, while Schmidt allowed several of his victims to get away and reach the home-plate with big, juicy runs. But as Schmidt grew proportionately more effective, so Scherist's executionary implement became dulled and ineffective. It was purely a pitchers' battle. Norfolk scored first blood on Wentz's walk to first. Wentz went to third on Wells's error. Gilroy followed with a single over second bag, and on Gilroy's attempt to steal second Foster threw to Sholta, and happy Jack did between bags, but Wentz scored during Gilroy's death throes.

Another run was tallied in Norfolk's fourth inning, when Wentz spanked the ball to left-field for two bags, and scored on the hot liner along third base line by Gilroy. Goodenough escorted the first tally over the rubber for Richmond in the seventh. Sholta led off with a hit. Goodenough started to right-field. Wentz went to first on fielder's choice, which resulted in Sholta's going out at third, and then Kain drove one to the center-field fence, scoring Goodenough. Wentz fought home Norfolk's third run in the eighth on a hit. Wentz's strike out, and a hot drive to right-field by Gilroy. In Richmond's eighth Elberfeld lifted a beauty to the fence in center-field, which landed him on second. Elberfeld caught a nice one on the end of his stick which he landed outside the lot, tying the score. Sholta became infected with the hitting contagion, and lined one to left for two bags, and at this stage of the proceedings Scherist, who had been trotted effectively up to this time, was forced to the stable, and Newton took his place. Newton inaugurated his debut by hitting Goodenough's third homer, a four bag one, which Wells, who seemed, filling the bases, Kain stood smiling at the plate, and listened to four more wide ones whistle by, and Sholta walked home. Then Foster mitted one over the fence for three bags, scoring Goodenough, Wells, and Kain. Schmidt hit to Leaky, who fumbled, and Foster scored, while Schmidt was being put out between first and second. Scherist ended the interesting proceedings by going out to Shaffer. Norfolk failed to get a man to first in their last inning, and the blow almost killed the rosters. Gilroy did a large share of the hitting for the Browns, scoring a home run, which started the down-hill movement for Norfolk. Foster also helped effectively by opportune hitting. The fielding of both teams was clean and clever. On account of the threatening weather, the having rained up to the time the game began, the attendance was only 300.

## NORFOLK.

Club	W	L	T	P	Per Cent.
McPartan, c.	0	0	0	0	0.0
Leaky, ss.	0	0	0	0	0.0
Shaffer, 1b.	0	0	0	0	0.0
Wedge, 2b.	0	0	0	0	0.0
Wells, 3b.	0	0	0	0	0.0
Wentz, 4b.	0	0	0	0	0.0
Gilroy, c.	0	0	0	0	0.0
Scherist, p.	0	0	0	0	0.0
Newton, p.	0	0	0	0	0.0
Heyden, p.	0	0	0	0	0.0
Totals	0	0	0	0	0.0

## RICHMOND.

Club	W	L	T	P	Per Cent.
Elberfeld, 3b.	1	1	0	0	50.0
Elsie, 1b.	1	1	0	0	50.0
Hargrove, c.	1	1	0	0	50.0
Sholta, 2b.	1	1	0	0	50.0
Goodenough, 4b.	1	1	0	0	50.0
Wells, 3b.	1	1	0	0	50.0
Kain, ss.	1	1	0	0	50.0
Foster, c.	1	1	0	0	50.0
Schmidt, p.	1	1	0	0	50.0
Totals	8	11	0	0	42.9

## HARTFORD.

Club	W	L	T	P	Per Cent.
Radford, 2b.	0	0	0	0	0.0
Heine, ss.	0	0	0	0	0.0
Simon, 1b.	0	0	0	0	0.0
Burns, 3b.	0	0	0	0	0.0
Thornton, 4b.	0	0	0	0	0.0
Doherty, 2b.	0	0	0	0	0.0
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Guess how many men run Norfolk will bat at Broad-Street Park to-day.

Reading broke the ice yesterday, winning her first game this season from Hartford.

## OPENING AT LANCASTER.

## An Exciting Game in Which Paterson Won.

LANCASTER, PA., May 5.—(Special.)—The championship opened here to-day with an exciting game. Paterson led up to the seventh, when a batting streak put the Maroons to the good. Paterson promptly tied in the eighth on a questionable decision. Lancaster tied in the ninth, but Wagner won out for his side by a smothering triple. Wagner's batting, a wonderful one-hand stop by Ward, and the work of both pitchers were the features. Score: Paterson, 9; Lancaster, 8.

## LANCASTER.

Club	W	L	T	P	Per Cent.
Buttermore, r. f.	2	1	0	0	66.7
Ward, 2b.	2	0	0	0	100.0
Ledy, c.	1	0	0	0	100.0
Larocque, 1b.	1	0	0	0	100.0
Robinson, 3b.	1	0	0	0	100.0
Graham, 2b.	1	0	0	0	100.0
Madison, ss.	1	0	0	0	100.0
Roth, c.	1	0	0	0	100.0
Dolan, p.	1	0	0	0	100.0
Totals	8	26	14	3	23.8

## PATERSON.

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Keister, ss.	2	1	0	0	66.7
Heidrick, 1b.	1	1	0	0	50.0
Hallier, 2b.	1	0	0	0	100.0
Wagner, 3b.	1	0	0	0	100.0
Robinson, 4b.	1	0	0	0	100.0
Stafford, r. f.	1	0	0	0	100.0
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## THE NATIONAL LEAGUE.

### Boston Again Defeats Philadelphia.

Stahl Distinguishes Himself.

BOSTON, May 5.—The Bostonians defeated the Philadelphiaans again to-day, the home team bunting their hits in the seventh. Young Stahl distinguished himself with the stick. Score: R. H. E.

Boston ..... 00012040x—7 14 4

Philadelphia ..... 2 00062100—5 13 2

Batteries: Lewis and Ganzel; Orth and Clements.

Mr. Emalle. Time 2 hours and